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**DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION** 

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: REAL ESTATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Thursday, March 1, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

**Conference Room A** 

MINUTES APPROVED 04/05/2012

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Doug Doyle, Kent County, Professional Member, Chairperson Dee Hake DeMolen, Kent County, Professional Member, Vice Chairperson Danielle Benson, New Castle County, Professional Member Tom Burns, Kent County, Professional Member Casey Price, Sussex County, Professional Member Tim Riale, Sussex County, Professional Member Elaine Woerner, New Castle County, Professional Member

## **DIVISION STAFF**

Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

#### ALSO PRESENT

Karen Alleva, NCCBOR Beth Balogh, KCAR Crystal Hudson, SCAOR Regina Lundeen, DAR

## **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Donna Klimowicz, New Castle County, Professional Member Tammy Reagan, Sussex County, Professional Member John Tarburton, Sussex County, Public Member

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Doyle called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

## **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Ms. Woerner, seconded by Ms. DeMolen, to approve the February 2, 2012 minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **Review of Course Provider Applications**

A motion was made by Ms. Benson, seconded by Mr. Riale, to recommend to the Real Estate Commission approval, denial or tabling of the following items as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

Course Provider: Long & Foster Institute of Real Estate

Course Title: Case Law Update Approved

Credit Hours: 3.0

Course Title: DE Uniform CIO Act & Unit Property Act Approved

Credit Hours: 3.0

Course Title: DE Landlord – Tenant Code Approved

Credit Hours: 3.0

Course Provider: Kent County Association of REALTORS

Course Title: Professionalism in Real Estate Practice Approved

Credit Hours: 3.0

Course Provider: Ocean Atlantic Sotheby's

Course Title: Stucco Approved

Credit Hours: 3.0

Course Provider: Career WebSchool, a dba of Cengage Learning

Course Title: Ethics in Real Estate Approved

Credit Hours: 3.0

Course Title: ADA and Fair Housing Approved

Credit Hours: 3.0

Course Title: Tax Free Exchanges Approved

Credit Hours: 3.0

Course Title: Tax Advantages of Home Ownership Approved

Credit Hours: 6.0

Course Title: Basic Real Estate Finance Approved

Credit Hours: 6.0

Course Title: Methods of Residential Finance Approved

Credit Hours: 6.0

Course Title: Pricing Property to Sell Approved

Credit Hours: 6.0

Course Provider: Keller Williams Realty

Course Title: Salesperson Core Course Approved

Credit Hours: 3.0

Course Title: Broker's Core Course Approved

Credit Hours: 6.0

Course Provider: New Castle County Board of REALTORS

Course Title: Realtor Training Class (First Time Homebuyers) Approved

Credit Hours: 3.0

Course Title: Navigating 2012 Approved

Credit Hours: 3.0

Course Title: Real Estate Contracts Approved

Credit Hours: 3.0

Course Provider: Central Delaware Real Estate Academy

Course Title: Legislative Update Approved

Credit Hours: 3.0

A motion was made by Mr. Burns, seconded by Mr. Riale, to recommend to the Real Estate Commission approval, denial or tabling of the following items as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

Course Provider: Donald Conant

Course Title: Real Estate Business Planning and Marketing

Tabled – Application is for the "Salesperson Core Course" & Outline Does Not Meet

Specific Criteria for Salesperson Core Course

Credit Hours: 3.0

Review Student Requests for Approval of Educational Activity

A motion was made by Mr. Riale, seconded by Ms. DeMolen, to recommend to the Real Estate Commission approval, denial and tabling of the following items as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

Course Title: The Evolution of Finance and the Mortgage Market

Course Provider: McKissock

Credit Hours: 4.0

Student Name: Helen Keech Tabled - No Course Outline Submitted

Course Title: Appraising 2-4 Family & Multi-Homes Properties

Course Provider: Polley Associates

Credit Hours: 7.0

Student Name: Helen Keech Tabled - No Course Outline Submitted

Course Title: Foreclosures & Short Sales Dilemmas

Course Provider: Polley Associates

Credit Hours: 7.0

Student Name: Helen Keech Tabled – No Course Outline Submitted

Course Title: Construction - A Changing Landscape

Course Provider: Polley Associates

Credit Hours: 7.0

Student Name: Lynn Moore Tabled - No Course Outline Submitted

Course Title: Current Appraisal Issues Course Provider: Loomis Appraisal School

Credit Hours: 4.0

Student Name: Lynn Moore Tabled - No Course Outline Submitted

Course Title: Delaware Law, Rules & Regulations

Course Provider: Loomis Appraisal School

Credit Hours: 3.0

Student Name: Lynn Moore Tabled - No Course Outline Submitted

Course Title: 7 Hour National USPAP Update Course Provider: Loomis Appraisal School

Credit Hours: 7.0

Student Name: Lynn Moore Tabled - No Course Outline Submitted

Course Title: Private Appraisal Assignments

Course Provider: McKissock

Credit Hours: 7.0

Student Name: Lynn Moore Tabled - No Course Outline Submitted

Course Title: Land & Site Valuation

Course Provider: McKissock

Credit Hours: 7.0

Student Name: Beverly Kammermeier Tabled - No Course Outline Submitted

Course Title: Ethics, Illegal Flipping, Predatory Lending

Course Provider: Ed Smith School

Credit Hours: 3.0

Student Name: Beverly Kammermeier Tabled - No Course Outline Submitted

Course Title: Creative Financing Home Purchases

Course Provider: Ed Smith School

Credit Hours: 3.0

Course Title: MACPA Advanced Tax Institute – Real Estate & Partnerships

Course Provider: MSBA

Credit Hours: 6.0

Student Name: Marsha Cooper Tabled - No Course Outline Submitted

Course Title: Short Sale Seminars

Course Provider: Coastal Association of Realtors

Credit Hours: 3.0

## **Review of Instructor Applications**

A motion was made by Ms. Woerner, seconded by Ms. DeMolen, to recommend to the Real Estate Commission approval, denial or tabling of the following items as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

Robert Fleck Approved with Amendment - Course Titled "Contract Law from the Top Down" was amended to eliminate the Word "Law", due to Mr. Fleck not being an Attorney Continuing Education: Professional Enhancement: Contract Law from the Top Down; Basics of Green Building for Real Estate

A motion was made by Mr. Riale, seconded by Ms. Woerner, to recommend to the Real Estate Commission approval, denial or tabling of the following items as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

## Roberta Jones Tabled for Complete Resume

Continuing Education: Professional Enhancement: Short Sales; Government Loans; Working with Bank Owned Properties; Foreclosures; Credit Enhancement

Pre-Licensing Course: Orientation; Real Estate Sales; Real Estate Mathematics

Broker's Course: Financing, Real Estate Investment; Mathematics

A motion was made by Ms. DeMolen, seconded by Mr. Burns, to recommend to the Real Estate Commission approval, denial or tabling of the following items as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

## Brandon Brittingham Approved

Continuing Education: Professional Enhancement: Mastering the Art of Short Sale – Basic; Mastering the Art of Short Sale – Advanced

# Judith Cook Approved

Continuing Education: Salesperson Core Course(s); Broker Core Course(s); Professional Enhancement: Ethics; Finance; Agreement of Sale; Short Sale Practices; Fair Housing

Pre-Licensing Course: Orientation; Real Estate Sales

Broker's Course: Brokerage (Sales Management); Financing; Ethics; Real Estate Investment

## James Waggoner Approved

Continuing Education: Legislative Update; Salesperson Core Course(s); Broker Core Course (s); Delaware Real Estate Commission Property Management Course(s); Professional Enhancement: NAR Ethics; Fair Housing Law; Rental Agents Road to Success I; Rental Agents Road to Success II; Real Property: Long Term/Short Term Rentals; Short Sales: An Overview; GRI 101; GRI 201; GRI 301; GRI 401; GRI 501; GRI 601; Anti-Trust Law; Ethics; Modules 1-7; Risk Reduction; Law: Statutes & Contracts

Pre-Licensing Course: Orientation; Real Estate Sales; Real Estate Mathematics

Broker's Course: Brokerage (Sales Management); Real Estate Documents; Valuing Real Property; Financing; Ethics; Real Estate Investment; Mathematics

#### Roger Truemper Approved

Continuing Education: Legislative Update; Professional Enhancement: Real Estate Closings; Smooth Settlement; Real Estate Contracts; Statewide Agreement; Title Law & Curing Title Defects; DE Common Interest Ownership Act; Landlord – Tenant Law; Leases; Condo Law; Real Estate Law; Legislation; RE Tax Implications; Case Law Update

Pre-Licensing Course: Real Estate Law

#### Edward Tarlov Approved

Continuing Education: Legislative Update; Professional Enhancement: How to Have a Smooth Settlement; Laws, Statutes & Contracts; Tax Implications for Buyers/Sellers of Real Property; DE Statewide Agreement of Sale; Legislative Update; DE Case Law Update; Landlord/Tenant Code; DUCIOA

Pre-Licensing Course: Real Estate Law

Broker's Course: Real Estate Documents; Legal & Governmental Aspects of Real Estate

## William Horan Approved

Continuing Education: Professional Enhancement: 1031 Exchanges

# <u>Jeanne LaMere, PhD</u> **Approved**

Continuing Education: Professional Enhancement: Methods of Residential Finance; Basic Real Estate Finance; Pricing Property to Sell; Tax Advantages of Home Ownership; Tax Free Exchanges; ADA & Fair Housing; Ethics in Real Estate; Cost Approach Overview; Sales Comparison Approach; Income Capitalization Overview; RESPA; Green Home Features; Green Home Construction

## Nancy Law Approved

Continuing Education: Legislative Update; Salesperson Course(s); Professional Enhancement: DUCOIA; New Agency Law (The Why's How's & Wherefores); Differences Between DE & PA Real Estate Transactions; Disclosures; Don't Let Your Sale Fall Apart; Ethics; Hot Topic in Real Estate; Practical Tips for Listing Agents; Quirks in Real Estate (Practical Resolutions to Problems) Risk Management; Short Sales & Foreclosures; Understanding the Agreement of Sale; Navigating 2012

Pre-Licensing Course: Real Estate Law

# Barbara Brodoway Approved

Continuing Education: Legislative Update; Salesperson Course(s); Professional Enhancement: DUCOIA; New Agency Law (The Why's How's & Wherefores); Differences Between DE & PA Real Estate Transactions; Disclosures; Don't Let Your Sale Fall Apart; Ethics; Hot Topic in Real Estate; Practical Tips for Listing Agents; Quirks in Real Estate (Practical Resolutions to Problems) Risk Management; Short Sales & Foreclosures; Understanding the Agreement of Sale; Navigating 2012

Pre-Licensing Course: Real Estate Law

#### William Ward Approved

Continuing Education: Legislative Update; Salesperson Course(s); Professional Enhancement: DUCOIA; New Agency Law (The Why's How's & Wherefores); Differences Between DE & PA Real Estate Transactions; Disclosures; Don't Let Your Sale Fall Apart; Ethics; Hot Topic in Real Estate; Practical Tips for Listing Agents; Quirks in Real Estate (Practical Resolutions to Problems) Risk Management; Short Sales & Foreclosures; Understanding the Agreement of Sale; Navigating 2012

Pre-Licensing Course: Real Estate Law

## Update from the Commission – Mr. Doyle

Mr. Doyle advised the Committee that the Commission discussed HB 249, which will waive all continuing education requirements for licensees who have had a license of the same type for 40 or more years; the Commission will not be supporting the bill.

The Committee was advised by Mr. Doyle that a Commissioner has met with Maryland to discuss reciprocity, and the discussions seem to be moving in a positive direction.

Ms. Hudson advised the Committee that Maryland will not approve Delaware Schools to offer courses specifically for Maryland licensees who may hold a Delaware license as well.

Mr. Riale informed the Committee that in order to facilitate the timeliness of the proposed revisions to the regulations, which would include continuing education, the Commission delegated Commissioner Whitfield to review the revisions with the Commission's attorney to be published in the Register of Regulations.

Ms. Williams advised the Committee that the proposed revisions were not submitted by the February 15, 2012 deadline to be published in the March 1, 2012, registry. It is anticipated that a public hearing will be scheduled during the May 10, 2012 Commission meeting.

The Committee was informed by Mr. Riale that additional revisions were made by the Rules and Regulations Subcommittee in regards to the proposed Core Module 6. It was decided that core module 6 could be interchanged with a designation course. The licensee, who completed the course, would be required to request approval for the specific course to satisfy the core module 6 requirements. The core module outlines will be used as a resource for the Education Committee, to allow for subjectivity of course applications which are submitted.

#### Review Letters of Intent and Course Evaluations

Mr. Doyle advised the Committee that a letter of intent was submitted by Long and Foster two days after a prelicensing course began. He advised that the course provider was made aware of the problem and took appropriate action. Ms. DeMolen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Riale to take no action on this item. Motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Doyle advised the Committee that a course evaluation was reviewed and although the overall scores were relatively high, there were a few negative student comments. After the Committee reviewed all of the comments and scores, Ms. DeMolen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Riale to take no action on this item. Motion unanimously carried

Mr. Doyle also advised the Committee that a course evaluation was reviewed and that the overall scores were mediocre and there were a vast number of negative comments. Ms. Woerner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Riale, to send an advisory letter to Theresa Minichiello, addressing their concerns in regards to her teaching methods and organizational skills. Motion carried with Mr. Burns opposed.

A motion was made by Ms. DeMolen, seconded by Mr. Riale, to accept all other letters of intent and course evaluations as submitted. Motion unanimously carried.

## Review Resume from Al Hause to Fill Kent County Public Member Vacancy

The Committee reviewed the resume submitted by Al Hause to fill the Kent County Public Member Vacancy. Ms. Benson moved, seconded by Ms. DeMolen, to recommend to the Commission that Mr. Hause be appointed to the Real Estate Education Committee. Motion unanimously carried.

## Discussion Regarding ARELLO Approved Instructors

Mr. Doyle informed the Committee that a Commissioner requested information about Delaware's process in regards to ARELLO Approved instructors. Ms. Williams advised the Committee that in order for a course to be approved by ARELLO, the course provider must submit documentation to ARELLO designating an instructor who holds a Certified Distance Education Instructor designation. If a course provider does not have a designated instructor who has the CDEI designation, the course will not be ARELLO approved.

Mr. Burns requested clarification regarding online courses for Delaware specific courses. Ms. Williams advised him that in the proposed revisions, it specifically states that a distance education course must be ARELLO approved, and it would ultimately be up to a course provider to design an online course for Delaware specific courses, and apply for the course to be approved in Delaware.

## Correspondence

There was no correspondence for the Committee to review.

# Other Business Before the Committee (for discussion only)

Ms. DeMolen reiterated the proposed regulations in regards to distance learning courses and it was requested that the Committee be e-mailed the most current proposed revisions to the rules and regulations.

## **Public Comment**

Ms. Hudson addressed the Board with questions regarding the new modules, the process for submitting applications that will not expire until after the licensure renewal period, and the fees relating to continuing education applications. Mr. Doyle advised Ms. Hudson, that a decision has not been made for the proposed modules, because they have not been adopted in to the Commission's rules and regulations. He also informed her that neither the Committee nor the Commission has any authority for application fees and that she can address her questions or concerns to the Division of Professional Regulation.

# **Next Scheduled Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 5, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. in Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

## <u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business, Ms. DeMolen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Doyle, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jessica M. Williams

Administrative Specialist II